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The second annual HomeWalk will take place on Saturday, November 15, 2008, at Exposition Park in downtown Los Angeles. The goals for the walk are to increase awareness about the homeless crisis in Los Angeles County; build the public will needed to address homelessness; and raise funds that would be reinvested back into the community to address and end homelessness.

Last November, more than 4,300 people came together in Exposition Park to participate in the first-ever HomeWalk. The event raised \$500,000 which was infused back into the community, through the award of grants to eleven agencies countywide focused on the rapid re-housing of families and providing permanent supportive housing for the chronically homeless.

The HomeWalk builds awareness and understanding of the pervasive issue of homelessness in Los Angeles County, and engages County residents on a personal level to participate in solving the problem.

**I, THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors proclaim Saturday, November 15, 2008 as “HomeWalk Day” throughout Los Angeles County, and encourage all County staff to participate in the event.

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